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## DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENCE OF CONFIRMED RABIES IN LABORATORY EXAMS **April 2008**

**Positive Animal** County

Skunk Howell, Douglas Bat St. Louis City

**Total Rabies Cases to Date: 3** 

Director

Total Rabies Cases to Date-Last Year: 4

**Negative Animal Heads Examined This Month: 201\*** Positive Animal Heads Examined This Month: 3

**Percent Positive This Month: 1.47%** 

**Total Animal Heads Examined to Date This Year: 593\*** 

Cu	Total Rabies					
Species	#Exams	<b>#Positive</b>	Species	# Exams	<b>#Positive</b>	By Year
Dog:	185	0	Rodent/Rabbit:	15	0	2007: 38
Cat:	147	0	Other Domestic:	4	0	2006: 66
Bat:	173	1	Other Wild:	8	0	2005: 73
Skunk:	10	2	Exotic:	0	0	2004: 59
Fox:	1	0	Unknown:	0	0	2003: 43
Cow:	5	0	Total:	593	3	2002: 45
Horse:	5	0	Counties On Alert: None			2001: 40
Ferret:	0	0				2000: 50
Raccoon:	40	0	Counties are placed on alert when there is a			1999: 31
			positive result on a domestic animal or when			1998: 42
			threshold levels for wild animals have been			1997: 31
			exceeded.			

<sup>\*</sup>Includes unsatisfactory specimens.

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